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Serial No.: 10/608,164 Group:  
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For: Apparatus for Measuring the Relative Difficulty in Donning a Glove

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97 et seq., Applicants, through and by their attorneys, hereby wish to direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed on the modified PTO 1449 Form and the copies of those documents presented herewith for the Examiner's review and convenience.

Applicants also wish to bring the following commonly-assigned pending patent application to the attention of the Examiner:

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/606,615 filed June 26, 2003, by Audra S. Wright et al.  
for "A METHOD FOR MEASURING THE EFFORT IN DONNING A GLOVE".

This application is not listed on the accompanying PTO Form 1449, however, a copy is provided herewith.

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The Examiner is requested to review each cited document and personally determine its prior art status.

Applicants recommend that the Examiner conduct an independent search for any and all available material prior art and independently review the results of such search and the documents cited within this Statement.

Applicants request the Examiner, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97, to indicate and make of record receipt and review of all of these documents by initialing the appropriate box in the accompanying PTO-1449. Applicants request that the undersigned receive a copy of the initialed PTO-1449.


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Please charge any prosecutorial fees which are due to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875.

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Respectfully submitted,

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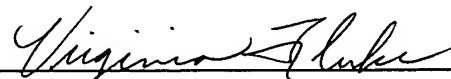
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	A1	Fisher, Mark D. et al., "Ease of Donning Commercially Available Powder-Free Surgical Gloves", <u>Journal of Biomedical Materials Research</u> , Vol. 33, 1996, pp. 291-295.						
	A2	Fisher, Mark D. et al., "Biomechanical Performance of Latex and Non-Latex Double-Glove Systems", University of Virginia School of Medicine, July 1999, pp. 797-806.						
	A3							

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